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Sir:

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to an Office Action mailed February 13, 2003 in connection with the above-referenced patent application. With the extension, the deadline for response is June 13, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0231. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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